

Brandon

Bank of the James River at the end of Virginia Route 611, Burrowsville vicinity

Brandon, completed ca. 1765–1770 for Nathaniel Harrison, is a superb Palladian villa with a complex plan and form that may have incorporated fabrics of earlier structures. The estate is also noted for its gardens, an early and extensive example of colonial landscaping. The land on which the house stands was patented in 1616 and is still worked as an extensive farm, likely representing the longest continuous agricultural enterprise in the country. The gardens and grounds are open to the public.